

**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**  
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**Resolution #14-0528-157**

*Authorizing the Donation of \$750.00 to American Legion*

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziibi Daáwaa Aníshinaábek* (Little River Band of Ottawa Indians) as a sovereign and Treaty-making power is confirmed in numerous treaties, from agreements with the initial colonial powers on this land, to various treaties with the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians (Tribe) is descended from, and is the political successor to, the Grand River Ottawa Bands, signatories of the 1836 Treaty of Washington (7 Stat. 491) with the United States, as reaffirmed by federal law in P.L. 103-324, enacted in 1994; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted a new Constitution, pursuant to a vote of the membership on May 27, 1998, which Constitution became effective upon its approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on July 10, 1998; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted amendments to the Constitution on April 26, 2004, which became effective upon approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on May 13, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(a) to provide for the public health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Little River Band and its members; and

WHEREAS, the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA) requires that Indian Tribes that operate gaming operations commit gaming dollars to charitable donations, and the Little River Band's Per Capita Plan has adopted an allocation of gaming dollars to be used as donated funds; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is responsible for determining the recipients of donations for one half of the donated fund reserves, and the Tribal Ogema is responsible for selecting the remainder of recipients, based on the Tribe's approved budget for FY 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that donations to organizations which contribute to the well-being of Tribal Members and the local community are appropriate for the purposes established by the Revenue Allocation Plan and the restrictions imposed by IGRA; and

WHEREAS, a donation request has been received from the American Legion for the Annual Rockford American Legion Rider Benefit Run; and

WHEREAS, Tribal Leadership of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians recognize the importance of donations to this important endeavor and the positive impact it has on communities;

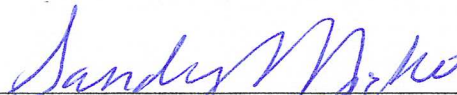
NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council approves the donation of \$750.00 to be utilized by the American Legion as follows:

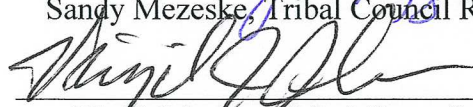
Fund 8600-100-5304 Tribal Council \$750.00

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council directs the Tribal Council's Recorder to prepare a cover letter which is to accompany each donation check to express the Tribe's commitment to supporting valuable community resources.

**CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 9 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 0 ABSENT at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on May 28, 2014, at the Little River Band's Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

  
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Sandy Mezeske, Tribal Council Recorder

  
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Virgil Johnson, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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